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In re the Application of: **YONEMOCHI, Kenji et al.**

Group Art Unit: 1762

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For: **METHOD OF FORMING A COATING LAYER ON THE SURFACE OF A MOLDED PRODUCT WITHIN A MOLD**

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(b)

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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached together with a copy of a Japanese Office Action dated May 13, 2003 for application number 11-213829.

The Japanese Office Action cites three (3) references:

1. U.S.P. 4,207,049 was disclosed in an IDS dated September 4, 2002 and is not being resubmitted at this time;
2. 08-309789 was disclosed in an IDS dated January 24, 2002, but without an English translation. The translation of the abstract is now submitted herewith; and
3. 11-018736 (11-277577) was disclosed in an IDS dated April 23, 2002, but without an English translation. The translation of the abstract is now submitted herewith.

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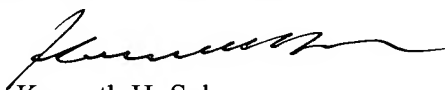
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The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 for any fee which is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

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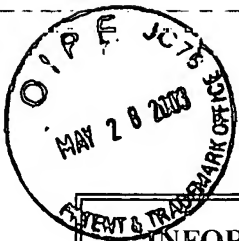
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